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Introduction

This book contains 5 quizzes of 20 questions each on general knowledge about Islam. The book is intended to stimulate young minds to learn more about Islam.

For each 20 question quiz:

Scores over 10 are good

Scores over 15 are excellent

Scores over 17 are outstanding.

The answers are given in sequence from page 17.

The following abbreviations have been used throughout the text:

(SAAS) should be read as *sallallahu alaihi wa sallam*

(AS) should be read as *alaihi salam*

(RA) should be read as *radhiallahu anhu* (male)

radhiallahu anha (female)

CE is Christian Era referring to the Gregorian Calendar date.

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QUIZ 1

1. What was the first word of the Qur'an which was revealed to Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)?
2. Through which angel did Allah reveal the Holy Qur'an to Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)?
3. Give the name of the cave where the Prophet (SAAS) used to meditate, and in which it was first made known to him that he had been chosen to be the Messenger of Allah?
4. In which month and year was the Qur'an revealed to Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)?
5. What is the meaning of the Arabic word Qur'an?
6. Who was the first person to whom the Prophet (SAAS) told of his unusual experience of revelation?
7. What was the age of the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) when Allah appointed him to be His Messenger?
8. Into how many parts or *ajza* (singular *juz*) is the Holy Qur'an divided?
9. How many chapters or *surahs* does the Qur'an contain?

10. What is the name of the third Khalifa of Islam who prepared one unified version of reading the Qur'an?
11. True or False: There is not a single letter or dot added or left out of the message that the Prophet (SAAS) received from Allah in the form of the Qur'an.
12. Give the name of the longest *surah* of the Qur'an?
13. Give the names of the shortest *surahs* of the Qur'an which contain only three *ayat* each?
14. Each chapter or *surah* of the Qur'an contains a number of verses. What are they called in Arabic?
15. In which language was the Qur'an revealed?
16. Over how many years was the Qur'an revealed?
17. How many *ayat* does the Qur'an contain?
18. How many *surahs* of the Qur'an were revealed in Makkah and how many in Madinah?
19. Which *surah* of the Qur'an begins without the words '*Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim*'?
20. Give the name of the *surah* which was completely revealed for the first time to the Prophet (SAAS) through Jibra'il (AS) in one sitting, and which is also the opening *surah* of the Qur'an?

QUIZ 2

1. Who was the first Prophet and who was the last Prophet?
2. How many Prophets are mentioned by name in the Qur'an in whom we should believe?
3. What are the Arabic names given to these other three sacred books:
 - a) The Old Testament of Musa (AS)
 - b) The Psalms of Da'ud (AS)
 - c) The New Testament of Isa (AS)?
4. Which Arabic word is used for the words and sayings of the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)?
5. Give the names of the five most important Prophets?
6. In which year was Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) born?
7. What were the names of the mother and father of the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)?
8. What was the name of the wet-nurse who looked after Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) in his early childhood?

9. Prophet Muhammad's (SAAS) father died before he was born. Who took care of the Prophet (SAAS) when he lost his mother at the age of six?
10. When Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) was about eight or nine years old, he lost his grandfather. Who became his guardian after that?
11. To which country did the Prophet (SAAS) go for the first time on a trade journey with his uncle?
12. In which city of Arabia was Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) born?
13. What is the name of the Prophet's (SAAS) tribe?
14. To which clan of this tribe did Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) belong?
15. What is the other name of Madinah where the Prophet (SAAS) migrated to from Makkah?
16. Which word is used for the Islamic calendar year, which begins from the date when the Prophet (SAAS) and his followers migrated from Makkah to Madinah?
17. What is the Arabic word for those people of Madinah who converted to Islam and helped the *Muhajireen* (those who had migrated) from Makkah?

18. Which single Arabic word describes the characteristics of the pre-Islamic Arabs and means the Age of Ignorance or the Age of Darkness?
19. What is the name given to the cube-shaped first house ever to be established for mankind for the worship of Allah and which is situated in Makkah?
20. Who were the first builders of this house?



QUIZ 3

1. Who was with the Prophet Ibrahim (AS) and his Egyptian wife Hajra (RA), when they entered the valley of Makkah?
2. The Prophet Isma'il (AS) married a girl from the tribe of Jurham. This led to the foundation of which Arab tribe to which the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) belonged?
3. Give another Arabic word for *Ka'bah* which means ‘Sacred Sanctuary’, whose priests and custodians were the people of Quraysh in the pre-Islamic days.
4. What is the name given to the year in which Abraha made an unsuccessful attempt to destroy the *Ka'bah* with his Abyssinian army?

5. Which *surah* of the Qur'an describes the invasion of the *Ka'bah* by Abraha?
6. In the days before Islam, how many idols or statues were worshipped in the *Ka'bah*?
7. Who was the most ruthless, powerful and bitter enemy of Islam in its early days?
8. What was the name of the Nestorian monk who first noticed the signs of Prophethood in Muhammad (SAAS) when he was only a young boy?
9. At what age did the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) marry his first wife Khadijah (RA) who was then about 40 years of age?
10. Did the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) marry any other woman while his first wife Khadijah (RA) was alive?
11. Who was the first child to embrace Islam?
12. Who was the first woman to embrace Islam?
13. Who was the first man to embrace Islam?
14. What were the names of the two sons of the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) and his first wife Khadijah (RA), both of whom died at a very early age?

15. What was the bone of contention between different clans of Quraysh at the time of re-building the *Ka'bah*, which was peacefully settled by the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)?
16. Dhul-Qadah, Dhul-Hijjah and Muharram are three of the sacred Islamic months. Can you name the fourth sacred Islamic month?
17. What is the Arabic word used for the biography of the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)?
18. Give the name of one of the Prophet's (SAAS) uncles who was his bitter enemy and also, together with his wife, was strongly condemned in the Qur'an in *surah* number 112.
19. Who was the Christian ruler of Abyssinia who showed kindness to Muslim immigrants from Makkah at the time of the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)?
20. In which direction did Muslims turn towards for praying in the early days of Islam?



QUIZ 4

1. Give the name of the Qur'anic *surah* which is translated as follows:

Say, He is Allah, One Allah, the Everlasting,
Who has not begotten and has not been begotten
And no-one is equal to him.
2. Who first gave us the name Muslims?
3. What was the original name of Makkah which is also mentioned in the Qur'an?
4. Name the first mosque which was built in Madinah soon after the *Hijrah* or migration of the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) and the other Muslims.
5. How many years after the first revelation did the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) start preaching Islam publicly?
6. Whose entry into Islam in the early stages helped to strengthen it and enable Muslims to perform their salah openly in the *Ka'bah* for the first time?
7. The years following the first revelation, after which the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) became the Prophet of Allah are called...?

8. In which year of Prophethood was performing *salah* five times a day made compulsory?
9. What was the most important event in the thirteenth year of Prophethood?
10. Which uncle of the Prophet (SAAS) embraced Islam in the sixth year of Prophethood and laid down his life for the cause of Islam during the Battle of Uhud?
11. With which historical event does the Islamic calendar begin?
12. Gregorian calendar months are also called solar months because they are based on the way that the sun moves. What are Islamic Calendar months also called because they depend on the way that moon moves?
13. What are the first and last months of the Islamic calendar?
14. Which was the most important battle of Islam that took place in the second year of *Hijrah* and in which the Muslims were victorious?
15. When did the Battle of Uhud take place?
16. The letters AD after a Christian calendar date stand for Anno Domini which means Year of the Lord (Christ). What do the letters AH stand for after an Islamic calendar date?

17. Which *surah* of the Qur'an contains the orders for Muslims to change their direction of prayer or *Qiblah* from Jerusalem to Makkah?
18. In which month and year were the orders to change the *Qiblah* received?
19. Who first gave the idea for the call to *salah* or *adhan* in the first year of *Hijrah*?
20. Who was the first *Muadhin* or caller of *adhan*?



QUIZ 5

1. What is the Arabic word for the Unity of Allah?
2. There are six articles of faith in Islam:
 - a) Unity of Allah
 - b) Belief in the Angels
 - c) Belief in the Holy Books
 - d) Belief in the Prophets that Allah sent
 - e) Belief in the Day of Judgement and life after deathWhat is the sixth one?
3. There are five basic principles or *arkan* of Islam, which must be followed:
 - a) Kalima Tayyiba

- b) Salah (five times daily prayer)
- c) Zakat (giving a fixed portion of our wealth to the needy)

What are the other two?

4. What proportion of the world's population is Muslim?
5. In which year was fasting during the month of Ramadan made compulsory?
6. What is the alternative to *wudu* (ablution before salah) if there is no water available or one cannot use water for health reasons?
7. What was the date of the conquest of Makkah?
8. The deeds and actions of the Prophet (SAAS) which all Muslims should try to follow are called what?
9. Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) and his wife Khadijah (RA) had four daughters. Can you name them?
10. During his last Hajj, the Prophet (SAAS) delivered his farewell sermon at Uranah Valley of Mount Arafat in 10th *Hijrah*. How many Muslims were present?
11. When and where did the Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) die?

12. What is the Arabic word used in the Qur'an for the Christians?
13. Does the Qur'an say that Isa (AS) was crucified on the cross or not?
14. Do Muslims believe that Isa (AS) is the Son of God or that he is the son of Maryam (AS) and a Prophet of Allah?
15. Which important event mentioned in the Qur'an occurred one year before the *Hijrah*?
16. What was the name of the Prophet Muhammad's (SAAS) youngest son whose mother was the Prophet's (SAAS) coptic wife, Maria (RA)?
17. At what age does praying five times a day become compulsory for the Muslim child?
18. What is the name given to the group of young believers whom Allah saved from evil by sending them to sleep for several years in a protected cave with their dog?
19. Which two *surahs* of the Qur'an are named after insects? Try to give the Arabic names of the *surahs* as well as the English translation.
20. Give the name of an historically important well near *Ka'bah*.



Answers

Quiz 1

1. *Iqra*
2. The angel Jibra'il (AS)
3. Hira
4. Ramadan, 610 CE
5. To read aloud
6. His wife, Khadijah (RA)
7. Forty years
8. Thirty
9. One hundred and fourteen
10. Uthman ibn Affan (RA)
11. True
12. Surah 2: Al-Baqarah
13. Surah 103: Al-Asr; Surah 108: Al-Kauthar; Surah 110: An-Nasr

14. *Ayat* (singular *ayah*)
15. Arabic
16. Twenty three years
17. 6616 (six thousand six hundred and sixteen)
18. 92 in Makkah and 22 in Madinah
19. Surah 9: Al-Tawba
20. Surah 1: Al-Fatiha

Quiz 2

1. The first Prophet was Adam (AS) and the Last Prophet was Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)
2. Twenty five
3. a) *Tawrat*
b) *Zabur*
c) *Injil*
4. Hadith
5. a) Nuh (AS) as he received the first religious law or *Shariat*.
b) Ibrahim (AS) as he received the *Sahifa* and many other Prophets were descended from him.

- c) Musa (AS) as he received the *Tawrat* and was the Prophet of the Bani Isra'il.
 - d) Isa (AS) as he received the *Injil*. His birth was miraculous and he was able to perform miracles by the will of Allah.
 - e) Muhammad (SAAS) as he was the Final Messenger of Allah and received the Holy *Qur'an*.
6. 570 CE
 7. His father's name was Abdullah and his mother's name was Aminah.
 8. Halimah Saadia
 9. His grandfather, Abdul Muttalib
 10. His uncle, Abu Talib
 11. Syria
 12. Makkah
 13. Quraysh
 14. Hashmi
 15. Yathrib
 16. *Hijrah*
 17. *Ansar*

18. *Jahiliyah*

19. *Ka'bah*

20. The Prophets Ibrahim and Isma'il (AS)

Quiz 3

1. Their young son, Isma'il (AS)
2. Quraysh
3. Haram
4. Year of the Elephant
5. Surah 105: Al-Fil
6. 360
7. Abu Jahl
8. Bahirah
9. Approximately twenty-five years old
10. No
11. Ali ibn Abi Talib (RA)
12. Ummul Mu'mineen, Khadijah (RA)

13. Abu Bakr (RA)
14. Al-Qasim and Al-Tahir
15. Putting the black stone in its place in the *Ka'bah*
16. Rajab
17. *Seerah*
18. Abu Lahab
19. Najashi (Negus)
20. Baitil-Maqdis in Jerusalem

Quiz 4

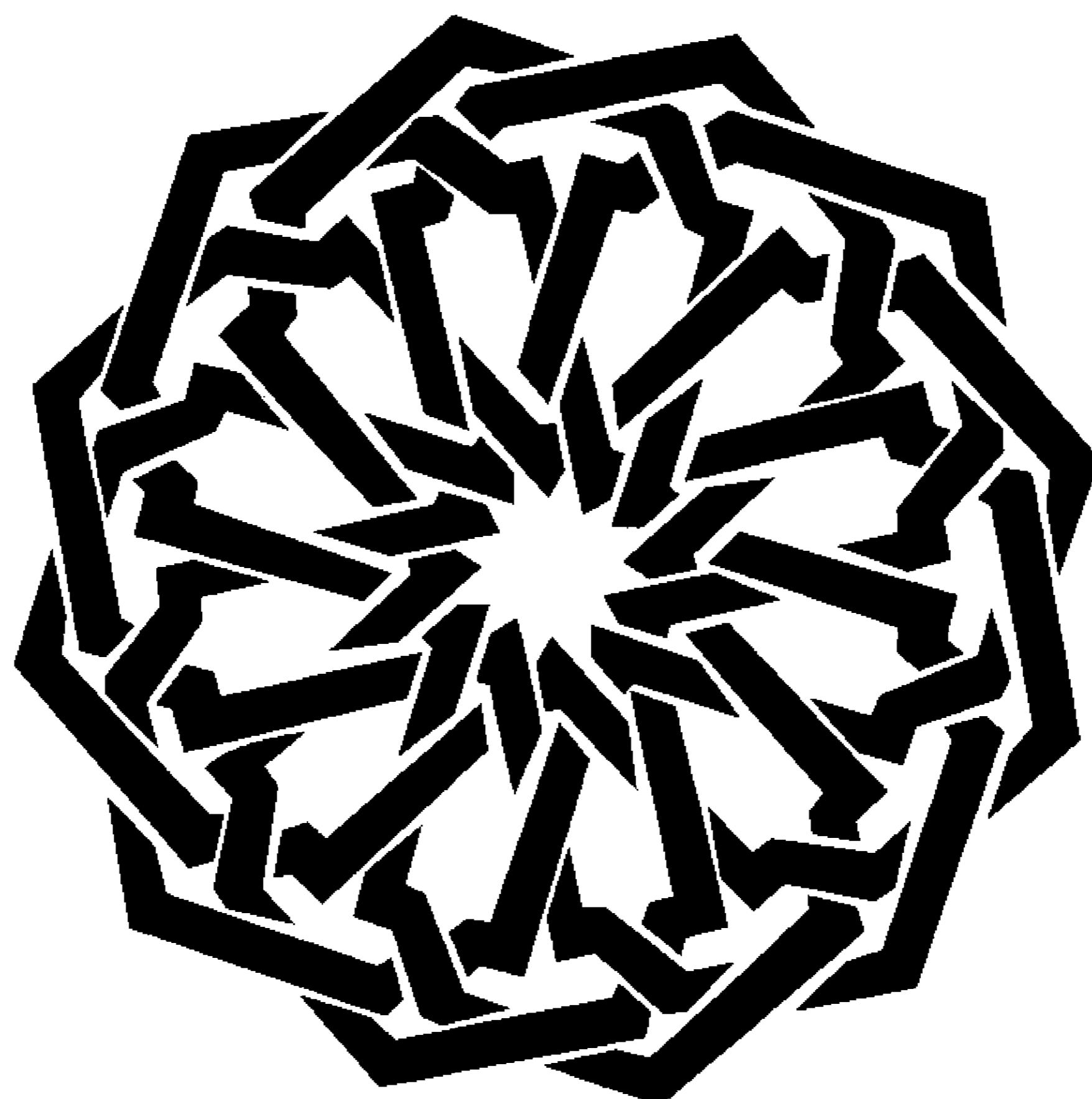
1. Surah 112: Al-Ikhlas
2. Prophet Ibrahim (AS) (Qur'an 22:78)
3. Bakka
4. Masjid-e-Nabawi
5. Three years
6. Umar ibn al-Khattab (RA)

7. Nabawi
8. 10th Nabawi
9. *Hijrah* or migration from Makkah to Madinah
10. Hamzah (RA)
11. The *Hijrah*
12. Lunar months
13. Muharram is the first month and Dhul-Hijjah is the last month.
14. Battle of Badr
15. 3rd Hijrah
16. Anno Hijirae
17. Surah 2: Al-Baqarah (ayah 142)
18. Shaban, 2nd Hijrah
19. Umar ibn al-Khattab (RA)
20. Bilal ibn Rabah

Quiz 5

1. *Tawhid*
2. Belief in Destiny (*al-Qadr*)
3. *Sawm* or fasting in the month of Ramadan and *Hajj* or pilgrimage
4. One-fifth
5. 2nd Hijrah
6. *Tayammum*
7. Ramadan, 8th Hijrah
8. Sunnah
9. Zainab, Ruqaiyyah, umm Kulthum and Fatimah (RA)
10. Forty thousand
11.
11. ~~10~~¹¹th Hijrah in Madinah
12. Nasara
13. No, it does not say that Isa (AS) was crucified
14. Isa (AS) is the son of Maryam (AS) and a Prophet of Allah

15. *Al-Isra wal Mi'raj* (Prophet (SAAS)'s journey from Makkah to Jerusalem and from there to the seven heavens)
16. Ibrahim
17. At the age of seven
18. *As-habul kahf*
19. Surah 27: An-Naml (the Ant) and Surah 16: An-Nahl (the Honeybee)
20. Zamzam



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